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SUBJECT.

Notification re: powers exercisable under rule 56 of the Defence of India Rules.

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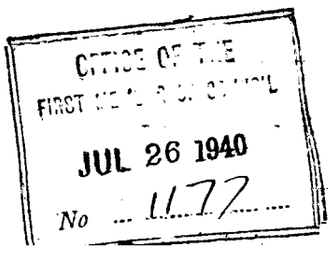

From

The Deputy Commissioner Kolar

CC 2/40-41 dated 26th day of July 1940

requesting the issue of certain notifications under the ~~Defence~~ Public Security Act

The DC recommends that in view of the Strike Situation, notifications under section 19(1) and section 26 of the Public Security Act may be passed immediately

Drafts are put up as instructed by the Law Secy. As required by 19(1) the notification will have to be published in the Official Gazette. An extraordinary issue of the Gazette will, if approved, be required to be issued in this Connection.

Submitted for orders

DRC
26/7/40

I Member)
Thro chief Secy)

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26/7/40

MK
26.7.40

The papers may be put up tomorrow. The Dewan Sahib is visiting the K.G.F. to-day and there is every prospect of the mess going back to work

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The D.M. has telephoned to say that the workers have not yet agreed to go to work and that ~~the precautionary measures~~ NSOs suggested by him should be ~~adopted~~ issued. His attention may be drawn to the NSOs already issued in September 1939 with reg Section 26.

The draft NSOs under Section 1 may issue in the next Gazette (Thursday) unless the DC considers the matter of such great urgency as to ~~be~~ that it should issue as a gazette

RMM
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The telephone message from D. M, K.G. ~~received~~ received today at 2.20 P.M. is put up

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29/7/40

Draft Notification under 2 (4) & (5) of the Defence of India Act, as applied to Mysore, delegating the powers under 56 of the Defence of India Rules 1 to the Dewan Sahib is put up for approval.

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Delegation of powers in re rule 56 of Defence of India Rules

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Serial No.	
13	Issued Notification no P 654 – Legis 2-40-13. dated 29.7.40 to Compiler Issued Memo no 656-6. dated 29.7.40. sending Copies of above to the District Magistrate, Kota and the PS to Hon'ble The file is submitted after issue as directed Sd/- 29.7.40 I Member,

Hon 2- 29/7/40

Strike situation at Kolar Gold Fields

General and Revenue Secretariat | File No. 788/6 of 194 | [App. F. III-2

Serial No.

From

The Deputy Commissioner and District Magistrate, Kolar

C.C. 2/40-41 dated 28th July 40

reporting on the events and occurrences on 26th July 1940.

The District Magistrate wants a notification under section 19(1) of the Mysore Public Security Act to issue immediately to deal with the repercussions that may be caused by the arrest of five or six of the most recalcitrant, whom the District Magistrate thinks he may have to arrest to ease the situation.

Section 19 (1) refers to declarations of specified areas or "Proclaimed areas" where meetings therein have to be with Previous Permission

A notification empowering the District Magistrate to act under rule 56 of the Defence of India Rules, as applied to Mysore, has issued yesterday. The District Magistrate gets power under this to regulate or restrict or Prohibit meetings and Processions.

It is further stated in the letter that an appeal drafted under instructions of the First Member was not issued as the D.C. Magistrate considered it inexpedient to do so for the reasons stated by him.

Submitted for perusal and orders.

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Chief Secy.

In Consultation with the D.M. powers under Rule 56 of the Defence of India Rules as applied to Mysore were delegated to the D.M. there seems to be no necessity ~~to take~~ for any notification under S. 19 A of the P.S. Act

Chief Secy/ M.C.

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URGENT & CONFIDENTIAL.

No.C:C.2/40-41. Office of the Deputy Commissioner &
Encl. one. District Magistrate, Kolar District.
Dated, Camp:Oorgaum the 26th day of July'40.

From

G. Sundara Rao, Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner and
District Magistrate.
40. Kolar District.

To

H.V. Narayana Rao, Esq., B.A., LL.B.,
Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Law Department, B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,

I have the honour to enclose with this letter a requisition from the Special Superintendent of Police, Kolar Gold Fields for a notification by Government under Section 19 (1) of the Mysore Public Security Act declaring the limits of the Sanitary Board Area, Kolar Gold Fields; the Revenue limits of the Bethamangala village and the Municipal Limits of Bowringpet Town as a proclaimed area for prevention of public meetings ~~etc~~. under Chapter IV of the said Act. I entirely agree with his views; but the period may be restricted to two months in the first instance. The Special Superintendent of Police has given five different acts of intimidation on the part of some recalcitrant men in the several Mines for keeping away the sober minded labour from their ordinary avocations. I invite attention of Government to his letter for this information. I consider that since it is already ten days since this strike commenced and as all possible attempts made by us for a peaceful settlement have been infructuous, a state of emergency will certainly arise in the near future when action will have to be taken by me under Section 3 (1), 4 and 7 of the Mysore Public Security Act against certain persons who are instigating the labour for committing violent acts. At that time, it will be very

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necessary to control meetings and speakers and processions and the like under Chapter IV of the Mysore Public Security Act. I therefore deem it extremely urgent that such a notification as is recommended by the Special Superintendent of Police should be available for firm action in the interests of public peace as the ordinary law would be unable to deal with the incidents of intimidation and picketing etc. that may be resorted to as a protest. I deem it necessary also to include the Bowringpet town and the Revenue village of Bethamangala for special reasons. Bowringpet keeps large stocks of food-stuffs etc. for the K.G.F. Area and is within a very short distance to this area. It is very easy for labour to go and meet in Bowringpet if they are not restricted there also and commit acts of intimidation etc. in that area. Similarly, Bethamangala contains water works for supplying drinking water to this area. I deem it extremely necessary to protect that area too.

In the several cases mentioned by the Special Superintendent of Police, the police are not in a position to effectively stop such incidents as they cannot arrest any person without warrant or investigate such cases without orders of the Court. As the strike is prolonged, the coolies will grow restive and acts of intimidation and lawlessness are bound to increase. I therefore request Government to declare in the same notification under Section 26 (1) of the Mysore Public Security Act, that offences punishable under Sections 186,188,190,505,506 and 507 of the Indian Penal Code are cognizable and also declare under Section 26 (2) of the Mysore Public Security Act that offences under Sections 188 and 506 of the Indian Penal Code are non-bailable.

I request that action as recommended above may kindly be taken by Government immediately and the matter published in the Official Gazette as required by Section 19 (1) of the Mysore Public Security Act and Government Press instructed to send

send me a thousand copies of the same as early as possible for publication in this area. On receipt of orders, I -- propose also to issue a notice in English and Tamil explaining clearly the acts forbidden by Statute for the information of the people in general.

Letter dated 25th July 1940 from the Special Superintendent of Police, Kolar Gold Fields, to the Deputy Commissioner and District Magistrate, Kolar District, (Camp: Oorgaum).

I have the honour to state that the strike on the Kolar Gold Fields began on the 16th morning with the Oorgaum Mine coolies suddenly stopping from work. That afternoon, the Champion Reef Coolies joined the strike followed by the Nundydroog Mine coolies the next morning and the Mysore Mines Coolies in the afternoon. Since then, there have been a number of incidents that had been reported from day to day about which no definite action could be taken as under the ordinary law, they are non-cognizable offences. I just mention here a few of the incidents to give an idea of the acts of intimidation committed by the strikers. On the morning of the 16th inst a gathering of more than 600 coolies assembled near the Nundidroog Mine and in their attempt to get out, the coolies, working there intimidated the officers and Watchmen there and even resorted to violence by pelting stones. As a result of this, even one of my Inspectors was hurt. The same nigh some 20 or 30 of them arrived with lathies, went to the Tayl and Tenants Shafts of the Nundidroog Mines and intimidated t officers there and ran away when the Police arrived. On th 19th and 20th, batches of coolies went to the adjoining vil in Bethamangala and Kamasamudra limits, cut down branches of trees in Hiduvali lands and intimidated the owners of these lands whey they protested. On the 20th, they picketed the shop of Mr. Sitharama Naidu in the Mysore Mines on the score that he refused to pay the subscription demanded. The same day, 10 or 12 coolies intimidated 12 to 15 cartmen carrying sand to the Nundidroog Mines and in some cases forced them to unload the sand at the place where they were intimidated, and all of them ran away at the sight of the Police Patrol Party arriving at the scene of occurrence. The same day, a party of 20 or 25 coolies went to the Boat Club at Bethmangala and intimidated the servants there and demanded that some boats might be placed at their disposal in order that they may ro in the boats in the Bethamangala Tank. Besides, there hav

been incidents of fuel-cartmen being intimidated in an attempt to take away fuel. Instances of Anglo-Indian Employees going for work and some sweepers also going to work being intimidated with a view to stop them from work are not lacking. In addition, there is also information that there is an attempt on the part of the strikers to prevent the clerks, sweepers and Anglo-Indian employees from going to work in order that the essential services on the Mines are stopped with a view to coerce the Mining authorities to accede to all their impossible de

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issued by Government. As a state of emergency exists in the Kolar Gold Fields in view of the present situation I request that early orders of the Government may be --- obtained in the matter.

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No.C.C.2/40-41.
Encl. one.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner &
District Magistrate, Kolar District.
Dated, Camp:Oorgaum the 26th day of July'40.

From

G. Sundara Rao, Esq., B.,
Deputy Commissioner and
District Magistrate,
Kolar District.

Subd.
The course of action proposed may approved and action taken.
(Member) 26/7

To

Rajasevaprasakta
B. T. Kesaviengar, Esq., B.A.,
Chief Secretary to Government
of H.H. the Maharaja of Mysore, Bangalore.

Sir,

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Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

26.7.40.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER &
DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KOLAR DISTRICT.

Camp: Oorgaum
26th July 1940.

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In all these cases, the Police are not in a position to effectively stop these incidents as they cannot arrest any person without warrant or investigate the cases without the orders of the Court. Moreover, as all attempts at reconciling the coolies with the Mining authorities have failed and as the strike prolongs, it is natural for the coolies to grow restive and acts of intimidation and other lawless acts are bound to increase when particularly when a large number of labourers as many as 25 thousand have gone on strike.

In these circumstances, I request that Government may be moved to declare by notification under Section 19 of the Mysore Public Security Act, that the limits of the Kolar Gold Fields, Sanitary Board Area, the Revenue Limits of Bethamangala village and the Municipal Limits of Bowringpet Town as proclaimed area. The Government may also be requested to declare by notification under Section 26 (1) of the Mysore Public Security Act, that offences punishable under Sections 186,188,190,505,506 and 507 I.P.C., be deemed as cognizable and also declare under Section 26 (2) of the same Act that offences under Sections 188 and 506 I.P.C. be non-bailable. This step will give necessary powers to the Police to deal with the present situation and will enable them to put a stop to acts of intimidation and lawlessness on the part of strikers. Besides, under Section 21,22,23 of the Mysore Public Security Act, the conduct of objectionable meetings and congregations may be controlled if the notification under Sections 19 and 26 as prayed for are

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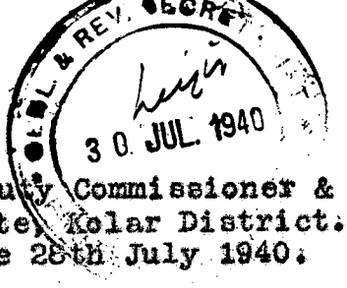

URGENT & CONFIDENTIAL.

No.C.C.2/40-41.
Encl. One.

Office of the Deputy Commissioner &
District Magistrate, Kolar District.
Dated, Camp:Oorgaum the 28th July 1940.

From

G. Sundara Rao, Esq., B.A.,
Deputy Commissioner and
District Magistrate,
Kolar District.

To

C.E. Normnha, Esq., M.A.,
Secretary to Government of Mysore,
Development Department, B a n g a l o r e.

Sir,

I have the honour to report the following events and occurrences on 28-7-1940.

A meeting was held between 8-30 and 9-30 A.M. at the Oorgaum Maidan behind the Travellers' Bungalow by the strikers of all the four mines. The attendance was very poor being two or three hundred only. Only one man made a speech. He held out hopes to the strikers that the Dewan and the Mining Board Companies were about to send printed leaflets regarding the position of the negotiations after the Dewan's visit to Kolar Gold Fields on 27-7-1940. He exhorted the audience not to give up the fight and to wait until at least the notices referred to above were in their hands.

A second meeting was held at the Mysore Football Ground by about 8 hundred strikers at which three persons spoke - Shanmugam, Phillips and Krishnaswamy - after shouting 'Jai' for the Government of Mysore and the Dewan and expressing their sorrow at the illness of H.H. the Maharaja. These three speakers exhorted the audience to keep on the strike for a few days more in order to compel the Government as well as the Companies to come to terms with them. They said that otherwise their sufferings for this long period of 12 days would go in vain. Shanmugam announced that the

for Labour

Labour Union formed by him for Mysore Mine was open to all the members of the other Mines also and would hereafter be called 'The Kolar Gold Fields Union'. He called for the election of one representative from each of the other Mines to assist him as their leader.

A third meeting was held at about 3-30 p.m. at Oorgaum Drama Hall where the gathering is said to have been about 2,00 Here again, 2 or 3 speakers of whom Phillips was one, explained the scheme of Labour Union and the co-opting of members from the other mines and exhorted the audience not to resume work until their demands were satisfied.

A fourth meeting was held at Kennedy Shaft at 5-45 p.m. where the same speakers speeches were repeated. According to the Special Superintendent of Police, he thinks that no one is going to work to-morrow.

I learn from Mr. Benn White that the 4 deputationists of the Oorgaum Mines who had gone to see the Dewan at -- Bangalore, had a discussion with him covering the entire ground of grievances, to-day for two hours. They seemed to be -- satisfied with Mr. Benn White's arguments and told him that they were meeting the other people at 3-30 p.m. in the Drama Hall and would try their best to persuade them to go to work. This seems to be the meeting adverted to in the paragraph above.

Mr. Morgan of the Nundydroog Mines said that his men of the Electric Department were quite willing to go to work as well as the men of contractor Mr. Meaton. When I asked him whether they would agree to go to work with Police protection, he said it would be too early to force issues. To-morrow is the first working day of the first fortnight of -- August 1940. They would keep the mine open and if the -- workers turn up of their own accord, they would start work.

As instructed by the First Member, I had drafted an appeal

in Tamil for print and distribution in the lines. This appeal describes in a few words the position after the Dewan's visit. The appeal however was not issued to-day as it was feared that it might strengthen the hands of the recalcitrant party fo- wasting time by further discussions. This party is very clever in exploiting any incident in their favour by unfai comments as they did in the case of the perfectly harmless publication of the Service Gratuity Scheme. The words 'pay up to twelve annas' were mis-translated and mis-interpreted to mean that those getting less than twelve annas were not entitled at all to any Gratuity and, strange to say, this interpretation was believed by the ignorant mass of strikers. Secondly, I was of opinion that we should not issue a publication like this so early after the Dewan visited this place and their refusal to take his advice as it might be interpreted as showing over-anxiety to get them to listen to our words. Even now, I am doubtful whether the publication and distribution of an appeal like this will have the desired effect. An offer of investigation has been made by the Dewan personally and explained at length by Mr. B.G. Appadorai Mudaliar, Labour Commissioner. It has been rejected by a big assembly of 12 to 14 thousand people. Any written appeal on the same terms may perhaps be superfluous and will be taken as reopening of the negotiations resulting in loss of prestige to Government and will be mis-interpreted as showing over-anxiety and weakness. Moreover, if, after all investigations by Government, the -- Companies are not able to fully satisfy the exorbitant demands made by labour, there will be another cause given for strike. As most of the people have heard the Dewan personally and the full explanatory translation of the speech by Mr. Appadorai Mudaliar, I am of opinion that there is no need to issue a fresh printed appeal embodying the same terms. A copy of the draft appeal is enclosed for information of Government. On the other hand, it will be necessary to take action against

five or six of the most recalcitrant of the lot to ease the situation as it may go out of control the longer the strike lasts.

It is therefore very necessary to issue a notification under Section 19(1) of the Mysore Public Security Act -- immediately to deal with the repercussions that may be caused by the arrest of these individuals. I feel that these men are coming under the influence of some political leaders outside the Fields. I have some information to show that Shanmugam, at any rate, had been to see Mr. K.T. Bashyam on the 26th instant instead of accompanying the deputation to the Dewan. It is also rumoured that Raghavareddy, the -- Advocate who was externed under Section 17 of the Mysore Mines Act in August last, was hovering about in Bowringpet nd had even paid a lightning visit to the Mysore Mines and eturned unnoticed. This is said to be doubtful by our olice informants here. Anyhow, the matter will be verified. he apparent insistence on non-violence and the persistent ffort for organising resistence savour too much of political actics.

The Labour Commissioner was in Kolar Gold Fields to-day nd assisted me in sounding confidentially the turn of events n connection with the strike.

I therefore request that the notification under Section 9(1) of the Mysore Public Security Act may be issued -- mediately for discouraging meetings to be held, not only for the purpose f exhorting the strikers and organising opposition, but also or protesting against arrests that may be made in future. f the provisions of the notification are violated for the purpose f organising strikers, this will provide a handle for arresting he speakers and leaders after the meeting is over. The -- rovocation will then be from their side and Government will

have gained a moral advantage. The Notification will also help the people now willing to work to assume a neutral -- attitude and non-cooperate with the rabid elements during the meetings. The rabid elements will thus be isolated and we shall know their strength. Thirdly, repercussions due to arrests will be less extensive and less violent if the notification has had time to reach the cooly lines. It will have therefore to be issued by a Gazette Extraordinary and one thousand copies sent here for distribution. I shall also issue a tamil notice explaining clearly the implications of the Government Order and the acts prohibited by the same and distribute printed copies in the lines. This information will be 'phoned to Government to-day so as to expedite action on my letter No.C.C.2/40-41 dated 26-7-40 to the Law Secretary and the Chief Secretary, -- Bangalore.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

28.7.40.

DEPUTY COMMISSIONER &
DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KOLAR DISTRICT.

Camp:Oorgaum.
July 28th, 1940.

NOTICE.

WORKMEN OF THE KOLAR GOLD FIELDS,

You have been ~~out~~ on strike ~~now~~ for ~~the last~~ 12 days. You have lost your wages and undergone ~~the~~ consequent suffering. Your representatives waited on the Dewan and invited him here to meet you. You have heard him yesterday. Your employers have given all-round increase in wages -- consistent with reason and generosity. The Dewan has promised to investigate your grievances regarding Service Gratuity, Housing Conditions, Defects of the contract system of labour and the creation of a permenent agency for ascertaining the grievances of labour as and when they occur. You must have realised by now that in the Dewan you have your best friend. The questions referred to by him are not capable of immediate solution. ~~Can you~~ why not put the fullest confidence in the -- Government and trust them to do their best for you? There is no point in staying away from work until these complicated questions are settled. They cannot be settled so easily. It would be a mistake to lose this opportunity of investigating your grievances. I therefore appeal to all of you to go back to work immediately under improved conditions of wages as announced by the Companies and save unnecessary suffering to yourselves and your dependants. ~~Government will endeavour to safeguard~~ This -- advice comes to you from your friend and well-wisher.

Oorgaum,
July 28th, 1940

Sd. G. Sundara Rao,
DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KOLAR DISTRICT.

" Copy "

G Sundara Rao 28.7.40

DISTRICT MAGISTRATE,
KOLAR DISTRICT.
28/7/40.

Telephone Message. & 29.7.1940
2.20 p.m.

From

The District Magistrate,
Kolar District,
V.O.C.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Law Department, Bangalore.

I consider that it is desirable to issue a notification under section 19(1) of the Mysore Public Security Act before attempting any arrests. The arrests will provide material for summoning public meetings and exhorting the strikers to stiffen their resistance. The situation here changes from hour to hour and there will be no time after the arrests to prevent meetings by the proclamation. Secondly, the proclamation will have the effect of making the people who are willing to work, ~~and~~ to assume a neutral attitude and non-cooperate with the rabid elements. The rabid elements will be isolated and we shall know their strength. Repercussions due to arrests will be less, if the notification has had time to soak in. If there are any meetings after the proclamation, it will provide a handle for arresting the speakers and the leader after the meeting is over. If they break the terms of the proclamation, the provocation will be from their side and we will not be accused of taking the aggressive part. As soon as the notification is issued from Bangalore, I will issue a Tamil Notice clearly explaining the acts which are forbidden so that all people will know about them. The proclamation will have to be issued in any case and it is better to do it as soon as possible rather than on Thursday. I propose to take action

NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-section (1) of Section 19 of the Mysore Public Security Act, 1940, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja hereby declare that the area comprised within the limits of the Sanitary Board Area, Kolar Gold Fields, the revenue limits of the Bethamangala village and the Municipal limits of Bowringpet Town shall be a proclaimed area.

Under Sub-section (2) of the said section they further direct that this Notification shall remain in force for a period of two months.

NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred
y sub-section (1) of Sec. 26 of the
ysore Public Security Act, 1940, the
overnment of His Highness the Maharaja
ereby ~~dixxaxx~~ declare that any offence
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imits of the Sanitary Board Area, Kola
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imits of Bowringoet town, shall notwith
tanding anything contained in the Code
f Criminal Procedure, 1904, be cognisa

Under the powers vested in them by
sub-section (2) of the saidsection they
are further pleased to declare that an
offence punishable under Section 188 or
Sec. 506 of the Indian Penal Code as in
force in Mysore when committed in the ar
specified above, shall, notwithstanding
anything contained in the Code of Crimina
Procedure, 1904, be non-bailable.

By Order,

26/7/40

Secretary to Government,
Law Department.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections ~~(4) and~~ (5) of Section 2 of the Defence of India Act, 1939, as applied to Mysore, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja are pleased to direct that the powers exercisable by them under rule 56 of the Defence of India Rules, as applied to Mysore, shall ~~also~~ be exercisable by the District Magistrate, Kolar District in the Bowringpet Taluk of the Kolar District ~~for a period of two months~~.

By Order,

Secretary to Government,
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NOTIFICATION.

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (5) of Section 2 of the Defence of India Act, 1939, as applied to Mysore, the Government of His Highness the Maharaja are pleased to direct that the powers exercisable by them under rule 56 of the Defence of India Rules, as applied to Mysore shall be exercised by the District Magistrate, Kolar District in the Bowringpet Taluk of the Kolar District.